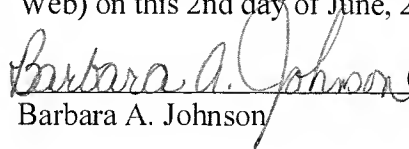


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction/election requirement in the Patent Office Action of February 2, 2010, a request for a two month extension of time and fee accompanying this response, please enter the following in the above identified patent application:

The response to the restriction/election requirement is on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** appear in the listing of claims beginning on page 3.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5

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Response to Restriction/Election Requirement:

In response to the restriction/election requirement set forth in the Office Action of February 2, 2010, applicant herein elects to prosecute the species disclosed in the embodiment of Fig. 2. Applicant elects the species of Fig. 2 with traverse, as will be discussed further in the Remarks section of this response.

Applicant herein believes the following claims are readable on the elected species:

Claims 1-3, 4-7 (as amended herein), and 8-11. Claim 12 has been cancelled.